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SUBJ: TWO WEEK NARCOTIC ENFORCEMENT SCHOOL

1. REFERENCE TO DEA 11914 DATED JULY 30, 1975, REGARDING PREFERENCE OF DATES IN SEPTEMBER FOR SCHOOL BY TRI AT GUATEMALA. THE SEPTEMBER 15-26 PERIOD IS PREFERABLE TO THE GUATEMALA DO, SINCE SEPTEMBER 15 IS GUATEMALA'S INDEPENDENCE DAY, A MAJOR NATIONAL HOLIDAY. IT WOULD SEEM MORE PRACTICAL TO PRESENT THE SCHOOL STARTING THE 16TH AND CONTINUE UNINTERRUPTED. TO HAVE THE HOLIDAY DURING THE MIDDLE OF THE COURSE, AS WOULD BE THE CASE, UTILIZING THE SEPTEMBER 8-19 DATES, WOULD TEND TO DETRACT FROM THE SCPGOL.

2. IF THE LOSS OF ONE DAY CAN BE MADE UP OR ITS LOSS WOULD NOT DISTURB THE SCHOOL GREATLY, THEN THE GUATEMALA DO WOULD REQUEST THAT THE SEPTEMBER 16-26 DATES BE MADE AVAILABLE FOR THE SCHOOL. WOULD APPRECIATE TO KNOW ASAP OF CONCURRENCE AND ACCOMMODATION NEEDS, SINCE RESERVATIONS FOR THE PRECEEDING WEEKEND WILL BE AT A PREMIUM.

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3. THE GUATEMALA DO WOULD NOT LIKE TO POSTPONE THE SCHOOL IF POSSIBLE, SINCE IT COINSIDES WITH THE FORMATION OF A NARCOTICS ENFORCEMENT SECTION WITHIN THE NATIONAL POLICE CORPS OF DETECTIVES IN JULY 1, 1975. ONLY TWO MEMBERS OF THE FIFTEEN MAN SQUAD HAS HAD ANY FORMAL TRAINING IN NARCOTICS ENFORCEMENT AND ARE IN GREAT NEED OF TRAINING AND EQUIPMENT.

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